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Federal Communications Commission Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Attn: Jeffrey Steinberg, Deputy Chief 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

R E Measures to Reduce Migratory Bird Collisions with Communications Towers

Dear Mr. Steinberg:

In response to your notification dated, November 17, 2006, the following is being provided:

The Bridgeport Indian Colony does have concerns with proposed communication towers going up all through the country. Regulations need to be established and implemented to prohibit further bird-tower collisions.

Not only is the tribe concerned with the migratory birds but this also includes cultural and burial sites. When these towers are constructed will they affect our gathering sites and the future growth of our traditional medicines and foods? The environmental studies done may not show a complete report of potential impacts that affect American Indians.

Growth of people moving to rural areas such as ours causes an impact and that's why towers are being constructed. They need to keep up with the increase in clientele service capabilities and meet that need.

The tribe appreciates your efforts to eliminate destruction of sacred sites, and surrounding natural resources.

We would like to thank you for keeping us informed and letting us provide some insight into this potentially grave matter.

Sincerely.

Charlotte Baker Tribal Chairperson

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cc: Cultural Program